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FROM: Jonathan Palmer

SUBJECT: Impact of the Bail Portion of SB 505

You asked for the impact of the bail portion of SB 505, AAC A Second Chance Society, on the Department of Correction in regards to closing a correctional facility.

Based on the current population and estimates, the bail portions of SB 505 solely will not allow the closure of a prison without further reductions of the prison population. The most recent estimate from the Governor's office is that 348 inmates would not be incarcerated if the legislation had passed.¹ As of 5/31/2016, each of the three correctional centers in Hartford, Bridgeport, and New Haven, which house the pre-trial population, have an average population of 727 inmates. The general correction institutes for sentenced inmates (excluding youth, women, and the correctional centers) have an average population of 1,043 inmates.²

I hope that you find this information helpful. Please contact me if you have any questions or need further assistance.

Reviewer: RJW

¹Data Release: Daily Statistics of Pretrial Inmates Accused of Misdemeanors, 6/1/16

²CT Open Data